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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in European Search Report mailed 22 December 2009. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the European Search Report.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits or a first Office Action after filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but before the mailing date of: i) a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113; ii) a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311; or iii) an action that otherwise closes prosecution on the application. Payment is being made via Credit Card in the amount of \$180.00 for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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An English abstract has been provided for reference FR 2 684 634.

Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that the reference CH 281 315 listed was cited in an European Search Report dated 22 December 2009. Since the International Search Report is in English, no English translation of the listed foreign references are required, pursuant to MPEP §609(A)3.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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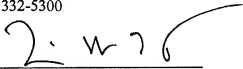


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